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SUBJECT: MTN - TNC TASK 7: UNIT OF ACCOUNT

1. USEC REQUESTED SOUND OUT APPROPRIATE EC COMMISSION
OFFICIALS ASAP REGARDING EC INTENTIONS ON UNIT OF ACCOUNT
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FOR MEETING OF TNC SUBGROUP 3A NEXT WEEK IN GENEVA. SINCE

EC WAS MAIN PROPONENT OF THIS ITEM IN FORMULATION OF TNC
WORK PROGRAM, WE WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING: (1) WHAT
COMMUNITY THINKS UNIT OF ACCOUNT "PROBLEM" IS FOR THE MTN;
(2) WHAT ARE MAIN CONSIDERATIONS TO BE RAISED UNDER TASK 7;
(3) DOES EC PLAN ANY SPECIFIC PROPOSALS FOR FIRST DISCUSS-
ION OF SUBJECT BY 3A SUBGROUP?

2. FYI. UNIT OF ACCOUNT ITEM IS TOTALLY NEW TO MULTI-
LATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS. WE BELIEVE IT SHOULD BE
APPROACHED CAREFULLY AND THOUGHTFULLY, AND WILL BE LOOKING
TO EC TO CARRY BURDEN OF SHOWING THAT THERE IS SOME
PROBLEM. WE DO NOT SEE NEED FOR LENGTHY DISCUSSION OF
TASK 7 AT FIRST 3A GROUP MEETING, BUT RATHER LOOK FOR
PRELIMINARY VIEWS ON HOW BEST TO FOCUS FUTURE DISCUSSION
ON THAT ITEM IF IT REALLY A PROBLEM. END FYI. KISSINGER

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